

ELECTION CALENDAR AT A GLANCE
CONSOLIDATED PRIMARY ELECTION – FEBRUARY 24, 2015

August 26, 2014	First day to circulate petitions for established political parties and nonpartisan municipalities (other than commission form) (90 days before last day to file)
November 17-24, 2014	Petition filing period for established political parties and nonpartisan municipalities (other than commission form) (not more than 99 and not less than 92 days prior to the consolidated primary)
November 24, 2014	Last day to file petition for public question (certain exceptions apply)
November 26, 2014	First day any registered voter within the confines of the U.S. to make application by mail or in person to the E/A for an official ballot . (90 days prior to primary)
December 3, 2014	Last day to file objections to nominating petitions for November 17-24 filing period (filed within 5 business days after last day for filing) Last day to conduct lottery for November 17-24 filing period (conducted within 9 days following the last day of petition filing)
December 8, 2014	Last day to adopt a resolution or ordinance for binding/advisory public question
December 18, 2014	Certification of ballot by Local Election Official to Election Authority
December 26, 2014	Last day to file a Declaration of Intent to be a write-in candidate with the appropriate election authority or authorities (Declaration of Intent to be a write-in candidate would have to be filed by December 18 th in order to force a primary)
January 15, 2015	First day for mailing or delivery of absentee ballot
January 27, 2015	Last day for registration or transfer of registration within the office of the election authority. Registration closes 27 days preceding an election. (Please check with the Chicago Board of Election Commissioners or the Cook County Clerk's office as other provisions may apply)

January 28, 2015	First day for grace period registration and grace period voting in the office of the election authority or at a location designated for this purpose by the election authority. Grace period voting may be done by mail at the discretion of the election authority. (begins at the close of registration and continues until the 3rd day prior to the election)
February 9, 2015	First day for early voting at the office of the election authority or at a location designated by the election authority for this purpose. (begins 15th day preceding election and extends through the 3rd day prior to an election)
February 21, 2015	Last day for grace period registration and grace period voting in the office of the election authority. Grace period voting may be done by mail at the discretion of the election authority. (3rd day prior to election)
	Last day for early voting at the office of the election authority or at a location designated by the election authority. (3rd day before election)

ELECTION CALENDAR AT A GLANCE CONSOLIDATED ELECTION – APRIL 7, 2015

September 23, 2014	First day to circulate petitions for independent, new political parties and nonpartisan offices. (90 days before last day to file)
November 21, 2014	Last day for municipal clerk to publish notice of municipal caucus in municipalities with population over 500. (In municipalities with a population of under 500, notice shall be given by municipal clerk posting the notice in three of the most public places in the municipality)
December 1, 2014	Date of municipal caucus - must be held (in municipalities under 5,000) which have established parties
December 15-22, 2014	Petition filing period for nominating petitions of new political party, nonpartisan, and independent candidates as well as certificates of nomination for established party caucus candidates. (not more than 113 and not less than 106 days prior to the consolidated election)
December 30, 2014	Last day to file objections to nominating petitions of new political party, nonpartisan, and independent candidates as well as certificates of nomination for established party caucus candidates
December 31, 2014	Last day to conduct lottery for December 15-22 filing period (conducted within 9 days following the last day of petition filing)
January 5, 2015	Last day to file petition for public question (certain exceptions apply)
January 7, 2015	First day any registered voter within the confines of the U.S. to make application by mail or in person to the E/A for an official ballot . (90 days prior to primary)
January 20, 2015	Last day to adopt a resolution or ordinance for binding/advisory public question
January 29, 2015	Certification of ballot by SBE (68 days before consolidated election)
February 5, 2015	Last day to file a Declaration of Intent to be a write-in candidate with the appropriate election authority or authorities (61 days prior to the election)
February 26, 2015	First day for mailing or delivery of absentee ballot
March 10, 2015	Last day for registration or transfer of registration within the office of the election authority. Registration closes 27 days preceding an election.

March 11, 2015

First day for grace period registration and grace period voting in the office of the election authority or at a location designated for this purpose by the election authority. Grace period voting may be done by mail at the discretion of the election authority. (begins at the close of registration and continues until the 3rd day prior to the election)

March 23, 2015

First day for early voting at the office of the election authority or at a location designated by the election authority for this purpose. (begins 15th day preceding election and extends through the 3rd day prior to an election)

April 4, 2015

Last day for grace period registration and grace period voting in the office of the election authority. Grace period voting may be done by mail at the discretion of the election authority. (3rd day prior to election)

Last day for early voting at the office of the election authority or at a location designated by the election authority. (3rd day prior to the election)